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**ULRICH GEBHARDT ET AL** :

**SERIAL NO: 09/762,513** : **ART UNIT:**

**FILED: FEBRUARY 8, 2001** : **EXAMINER:**

**FOR: PEM FUEL CELL WITH IMPROVED  
LONG-TERM PERFORMANCE,  
METHOD FOR OPERATING A PEM  
FUEL CELL AND PEM FUEL CELL  
STORAGE BATTERY** :

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**Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated September 12, 2003, kindly  
amend the above identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 3 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this response.